

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

All Are Welcome Here – We Strive For It.

In the Spirit of Jesus Christ, First United Methodist Church of Fort Collins commits to offering a community in which persons of diverse age, color, culture, sexual orientation and gender identity, economic status, and physical or mental ability are all welcomed and affirmed. To all who have known pain of exclusion or discrimination from church or in society, we ask forgiveness and offer a place of respite and welcome.

If you are new to our church and would like more information, please ask one of our greeters or ushers or visit the **Welcome Center**. They can direct you to classrooms, nursery, restrooms, food, and fellowship, as well as introduce you to our staff. We would be honored to get to know you better and learn about your life and spiritual needs. Our community may not know you yet, but we already love you and hope you will make this your spiritual home. Thank you for joining us today, and God bless you!

Liturgists 8:00 John Allum, 9:30 Cindi Ross-Bell, 11:00 Cindi Ross-Bell

Flowers are given by Mary & Chuck Andre in celebration of their September wedding anniversary.

Nursery/Childcare

A well-staffed nursery is available for infants and toddlers during all worship services. Paggers are available upon request. Preschool and elementary-aged children are invited to Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. service and are welcome in worship services or childcare during 8 and 11 a.m. services.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES SUNDAY A.M.

Children's Sunday School Classes – 9:45 a.m.

Please sign your children in at the Children's Ministries check-in desk, south entrance, before the 9:30 a.m. worship service begins. Children sit with their parents/guardians during worship in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of Children's Time. Then, parents of preschoolers escort their children to Room 121, and children in grades K-4 meet their shepherds outside the Narthex. The shepherds will escort elementary children to their classrooms. Grades 5th & 6th will meet in the Youth Basement for donut fellowship and Sunday School at 9:30. Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location following the service. **For children attending our worship services, children's worship bags, bulletins, and notebooks are available in the Narthex, just outside the Sanctuary.

Weekly Youth Ministry-- Meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8pm in the youth wing for students in grades 6-12th, dinner is provided and friends are welcome. **Small Group Bible Study**- Meets every Tuesday night from 7:45-9pm at Mugs Coffee Shop on College for students in grades 9-12th, friends are welcome.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

8:00 a.m.: Adventures in Faith Men's Group – Village Commons

9:30 a.m.: Samaritan Class – Parlor; Serendipity Class – Village Commons; Upper Room Class – Upper Room (Room 235)

11:00 a.m.: Open Hearts Class – Village Commons; CrossWalk Community – Youth Large Group Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music *Our God We Worship Now* arr. H. Colvin

Welcome Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Prelude *All Glory Be to God on High* P. Manz

Invocation Dr. Melanie Rosa

† **Call to Worship** Liturgist

† **Hymn of Praise** *My Hope is Built* UMH 368

Children's Time Hymn
9:30 Hymn *Where Children Belong* TFWS 2233

Anthem
8:00 *Nearer, My God to Thee* arr. Sarah Flower Adams
Sarah Keller, cello

9:30 & 11:00 *I Will Arise* Alice Parker
Sanctuary Choir

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Dr. Melanie Rosa

Prayer Response
9:30 & 11:00 *Seek the Lord* Lloyd Larson
Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Hebrews 4:3-11 Dr. Melanie Rosa
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Scholarship Presentation

Offertory
8:00 *Heaven Unfolding* arr. Andrea Ramsey
Sarah Keller, cello; Catherine Pawlikowski, piano
9:30 & 11:00 *He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd* G. F. Handel
Emily Gehman, alto/Emilee Smith, soprano

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† **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

Scripture Matthew 11:27-30 Liturgist
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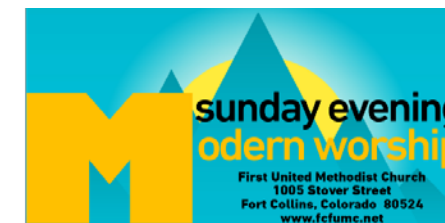
Sermon "Spiritual Literacy: Rest" Rev. Cynthia Paquette

† **Hymn of Dedication** *Come and Find the Quiet Center* TFWS 2128

† Benediction

Postlude *Postlude on "Hymn to Joy"* G. Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Widening the Circle ...

You're invited to join us for our Sunday evening **MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE**. The service begins at **5:00 pm each Sunday evening in Fellowship Hall**. Dinner follows the service, and everyone is welcome. Invite your neighbors and friends.

Children: Kindergarten-5th grade are welcome to join us just across the hall in the Parlor after the introductory portion of the MODERN Worship Service. Children: Newborn-Preschool are welcome to check in to the fully staffed Nursery in the Southwest wing. Of course, you are also welcome to have your children stay with you during this family friendly service.

JOIN US TODAY

FUMC MINISTRY FAIR! TODAY from 9 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall.

View displays of the many activities of First United Methodist Church, learn what they do and how you can get involved.

EXPLORING FIRST CHURCH, would you like to learn more about the United Methodist Church in general and First Church in particular? Are you considering membership in this vibrant community of faith? If so, join us **TODAY for Exploring First Church at noon in the Parlor**. Enjoy a light lunch while our pastors present background on the United Methodist Church and the many ways to be involved at First Church. If you plan to attend, please email Membership@fcfmc.net or call (970) 482-2436. Childcare will be provided if requested ahead of time. New members will be received at all three worship services on October 21.

The second **ROUNDTABLE, "CAN WE TALK"** is **TODAY at noon in Village Commons**, with a light lunch. Moderated discussion provides an opportunity for members in the Christian community to explore, listen, and hear while gaining a better appreciation of other's views. All are welcome. The next discussion is scheduled for **October 21 at noon**. Facilitated by Don Gaymon and the Church and Society Committee.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY: Have you struggled with how to serve God? Do you know your spiritual gifts? This one-time, one-hour class will be offered at **3:30-4:30 p.m. TODAY**; and **6:30-7:30 p.m. Oct. 2**. Sign up at Adult Faith Formation table or email c.paquette@fcfmc.net.

MISSION



October is the time for **RED DOT DAYS**, a fundraiser to support the **FUMC DAYS FOR GIRLS PROJECT**. Days for Girls helps girls all over the world receive reusable feminine hygiene kits that will allow them to stay in school and become all they can be! Each kit costs \$10.00 in materials. Any amount is very welcome! Please make checks to FUMC with DfG on memo line. More information? See display in Fellowship Hall or contact Kate Norton at (970) 402-6783 or fif67@live.com. Thanks for your support!

CROP WALK is **October 7th**. Join us for a 5K (3.2 miles) walk around Fort Collins to raise money for the Larimer County Food Bank and Church World Service. Come to the Mission Corner in Fellowship Hall for information, forms and to sign up to walk or sponsor a walker.

VIETNAMESE DINNER: On October 31 First Church will send 7 missionaries to help build one of 20 houses in the Mekong Delta area of Vietnam. A Vietnamese Dinner will be held at **6 pm on October 11**. Come meet the team and enjoy a meal with us before we leave. A free-will offering will be collected for the meal.

FAITH FORMATION

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN invites you to join them on **October 11 at 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor** for lunch and informative program about Days for Girls, Kate Norton will be presenting. Come learn how you can be a part of this project and make a difference in the world!

DOUBLE NICKEL LUNCHEON schedule: **October 12**, Clara Barton characterization with JoAnn Hopkins; **November 9**, Aspen Club services with Jill Taylor; **December 14**, Sunshine Singers Christmas program. It's the best lunch in town for only \$4, reservations not necessary. All dates are at Noon in the Fellowship Hall.

CONFIRMATION CLASS for students in grades 7-8th (or older students who have not yet been confirmed) begins Sunday, **October 7th from 8-9:15 am** in the Youth Wing. This will be a yearlong class with Confirmation in May. **Please register by September 30**. Forms are available on the church website, outside the Youth Office, or on the Youth bulletin board. There will be a short parent meeting immediately following the first class.

STUDY THE BISHOP'S STORY: Groups are being formed to study Bishop Karen Oliveto's new book, *Together at the Table: Diversity Without Division in the United Methodist Church*. Choose **noon or 7 p.m. on Oct 3, 10, 17, and 24**.

YOGA There are four more sessions of Yoga and Spirituality **6-7 p.m. Oct. 3, 10, 17 and 24**. (October 3 class meets in Fellowship Hall.)

THEOLOGY ON TAP: will meet on Tuesday, **October 2 from 5:30-7:30** at the Moot House on College just south of Drake. October's topic (thanks to Teddy Wintersteen) is "Where do you experience God?" Questions: Kate Norton, fff67@live.com or Martha Conant, marthaconant@gmail.com.

ADVENTURES IN FAITH: The **8 a.m. Sunday** men's study group, is beginning a study of Mark's Gospel. Get in the loop by contacting Nick Rohrbacker at nrohrback@gmail.com

WORLD WISDOMS PROJECT Pilgrimages in the Jewish and Christian Traditions – Stories of Spiritual Journey will be **6:30 p.m. Oct. 11** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 E. Stuart St. Rabbi Hillel Katzir, of Fort Collins, and Palestinian Christian leader George Bannoura, of Bethlehem and Denver, will describe their personal connections to "holy" or "promised" lands.

CIRCULATING LIBRARY Books from the five member libraries of the Faith Libraries of Northern Colorado network will be on display and available for checkout in Fellowship Hall **Oct. 7**.

BANNED BOOKS OUR BOOK OF THE WEEK is any of the banned books on display in the library. Banned Books Week is sponsored by the American Library Association.

SERMON SERIES: "Spiritual Literacy: Seeing the Sacred in Everyday Life"

October 7—"Spiritual Literacy: Incarnation" Psalm 26:1-8; John 1:1-14
October 14—"Spiritual Literacy: Enthusiasm" Hebrews 4:12-16; Ephesians 2:1-10
October 21—"Spiritual Literacy: Connections" 1 Corinthians 12:14-31
October 28—"Spiritual Literacy: Commitment" Romans 1:8-17; Ephesians 2:1-10

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Coming Next Week: October 7 Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon Series: Seeing the Sacred in Everyday Life
"Spiritual Literacy: Incarnation"
Psalm 26:1-8; John 1:1-14

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September 30, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

"Spiritual Literacy: Rest"



Come unto me,
all ye that labour
and are heavy
laden, and I will
give you rest.

-Matthew 11:28

We are delighted to have you with us today.

Sunday Worship: 8:00 in the Chapel, 9:30 and 11:00 in the Sanctuary, 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall followed by dinner

Faith Formation opportunities listed on the next page.

Food and Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall just south of the Sanctuary.

May you be blessed because you joined us today!